



BLAKELY, SOKOLOFF, TAYLOR & ZAFMAN LLP (303) 740-1980
Title: Fault Tolerant Automatic Protection Switching for Distributed Routers
Inventor: Alexander *et al.*
Filing Date: February 15, 2001
Application No. 09/784,841
Sheet: 1 of 6 Attorney Docket No: 002717.P016

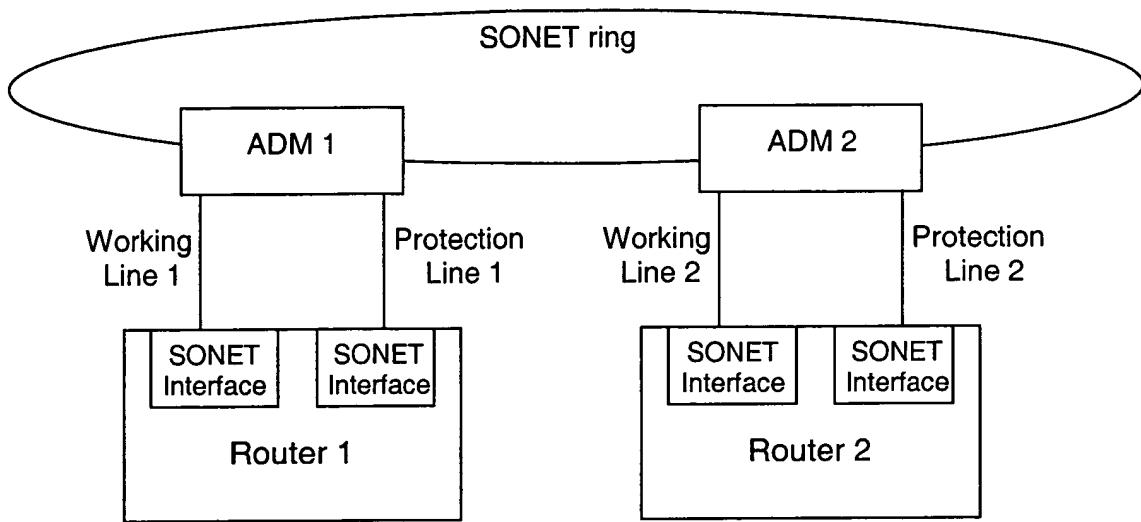


FIG. 1
(Prior Art)

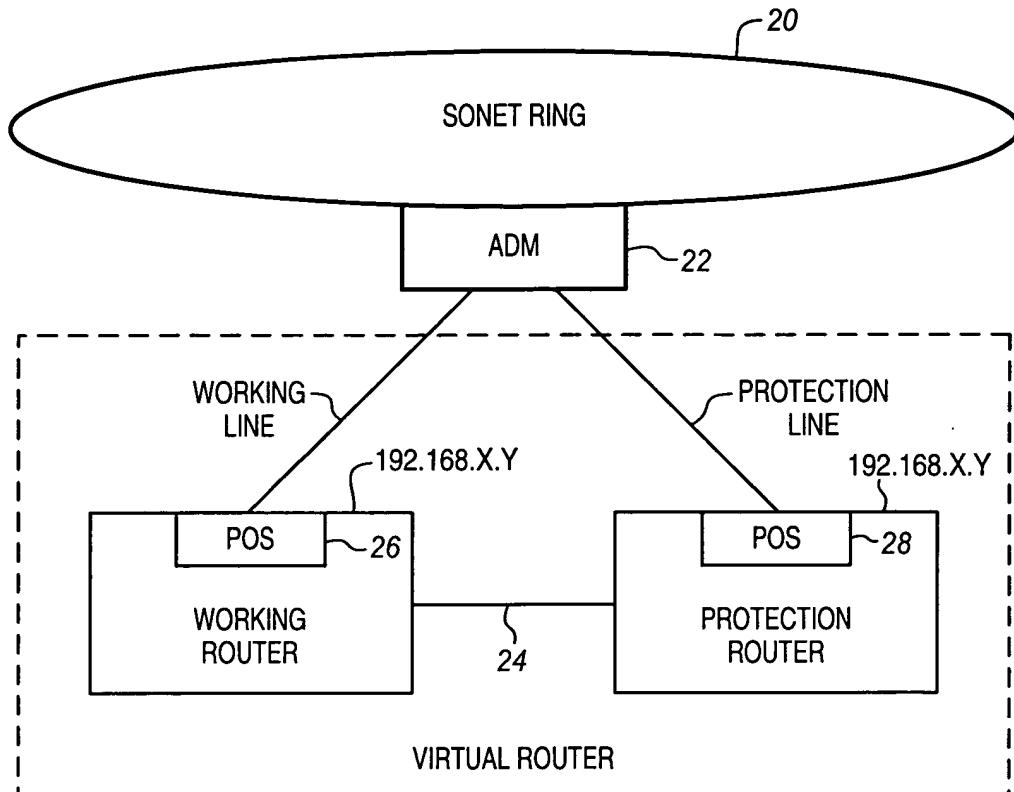


FIG. 2

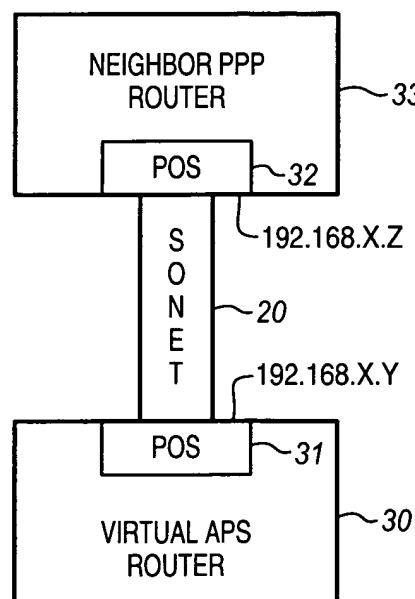


FIG. 3

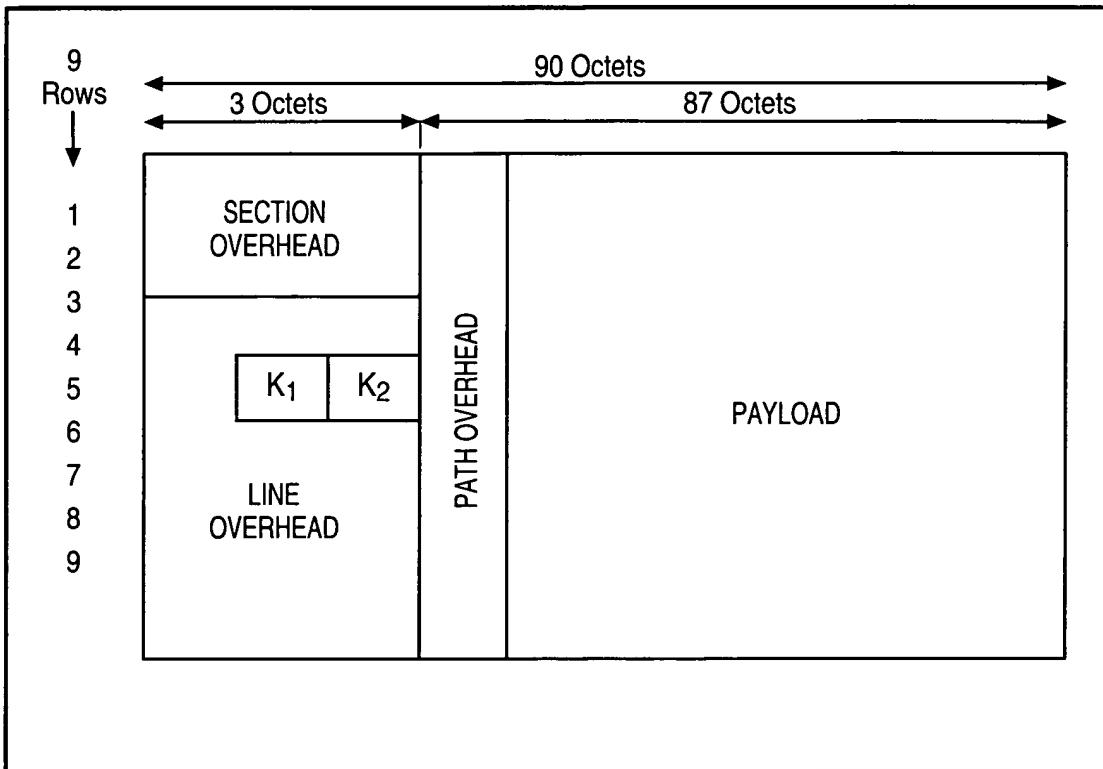


FIG. 4
PRIOR ART

Interframe Fill 0111 1110	Address 1 or 2 bytes	Control 1 or 2 bytes	Data 0 to X bytes	Checksum (FCS) 1 or 2 bytes	Interframe Fill 0111 1110
---------------------------------	-------------------------	-------------------------	----------------------	-----------------------------------	---------------------------------

Basic HDLC frame format

Flag 0111 1110	Address 1111 1111	Control 0000 0011	Protocol ID 1 or 2 bytes	Information Variable/Pad	FCS 2 or 4 bytes	Flag 0111 1110
-------------------	----------------------	----------------------	--------------------------------	-----------------------------	---------------------	-------------------

Basic PPP frame format

FIG. 5
PRIOR ART

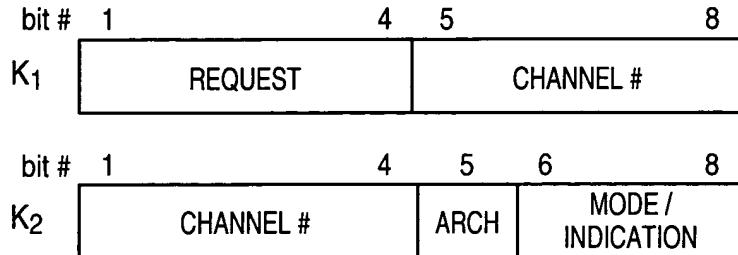


FIG. 6A
PRIOR ART

REQUEST	Value	Description
	0000	No Request
	0001	Do Not Revert (nonrevertive only)
	0010	Reverse Request (bidirectional only)
	0100	Exercise
	0110	Wait-To-Restore (revertive only)
	1000	Manual Switch
	1010	Signal Degrade
	1100	Signal Fail
	1100	Forced Switch
	1111	Lockout of Protection

FIG. 6B
PRIOR ART

MODE / INDICATION	
100	Provisioned for Unidirectional Switching Mode
101	Provisioned for Bidirectional Switching Mode
110	Line Remote Defect Indication (RDI-L)
111	Line Alarm Indication Signal (AIS-L)

FIG. 6C
PRIOR ART

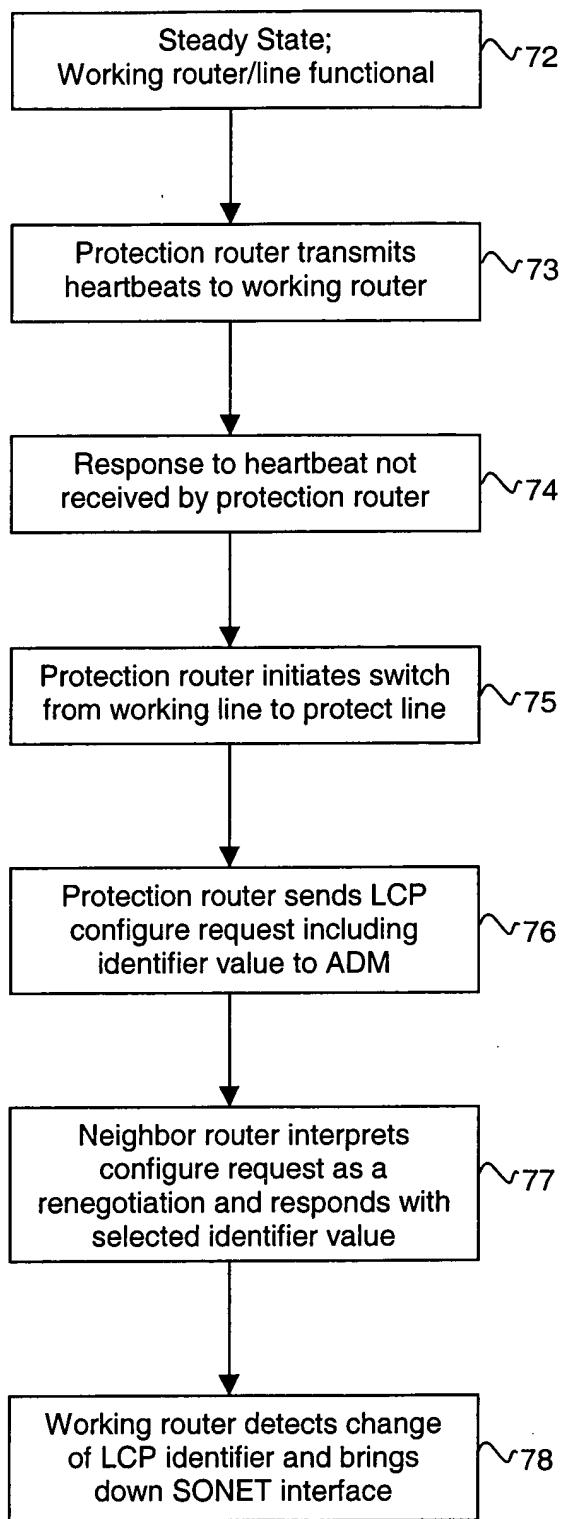


FIG. 7